

Seems like it's been years since Hope had a good look at "Squire" Yarbrough, one-time Republican janitor at the local post office — but "Squire" showed up Friday while B. K. Hamm and I were having noon luncheon downtown and gave an account of himself.

Nowadays he's living on his own place near Tokio, extreme northwestern corner of Hempstead county, and says he is hale and happy.

After some disparaging remarks about Hamm & Washburn's gray hair the Squire went on philosophically:

"Me — I worked for the government full 17 years, and now I don't have to worry or work or nothing. They pay me \$72 a month social security on account of I became 63. Now I'm going on 69, it's a nice world."

It is a nice world . . . when you've worked long and come to nigh on 70 and find you are taken care of . . . especially when you've had time along the way to be the wise-cracking character Squire Yarbrough was and still is.

The other day Haskell Jones of KXAR rang the bell with a memo to Hope's delegation to Washington on the jet bomber base. Said Haskell:

"Their theme song ought to be: Little Rock — Get Away!"

And finally, this quote from Louis Graves' Facts and Fancies column in Friday's Nashville News:

The pastor once called on a "delinquent" member who was sitting with his feet propped up before the comforting blaze of a wood fireplace. Evidently old friends, they exchanged greetings and the pastor took a seat and shared with his friend the fascination of the fireplace. Suddenly he picked up the tongs, took out a blazing ember and placed it by itself on the hearth. Together they watched the blaze die and the coal lose its glow. The friend replied: "OK, preacher, I'll be there Sunday."

Take Tests to Learn About A-Bomb Burns

RICHMOND, Va. (AP) — Laboratory workers here have intentionally burned themselves with heat waves stimulating the flash of an atomic bomb.

More than a dozen scientists and laboratory aides at the Medical College of Virginia — including a woman doctor and a woman nurse — have tested their arms to a beam of hot light from a specially rigged anti-aircraft searchlight.

While results may be compared only to the effects of earlier-model atomic bombs, they should show rough predictions of the effects of more powerful bombs, including the projected hydrogen bomb, the scientists say. The tests are supported by grants from the Army surgeon general's office.

Burns sustained by the volunteers have been only dime-sized because the heat from the searchlight is focused on a half-inch hole in a heavy shield.

But many second-degree blistering burns have been produced, along with some burns approaching the third-degree variety, with the flesh practically charred.

All of the volunteers recovered without ill effects and are now planning further tests.

The most outstanding results so far of the human tests — and animal tests that went with them — are these:

1. They have conclusively disproved an earlier belief that persons caught in the open by an atomic blast would have three seconds to duck the bomb's heat.

Tests show that maximum burning occurs within a single second. This means that ducking won't prevent a person from getting burned — although he should duck anyway to escape blast and falling debris.

2. The tests demonstrated that Negroes burn more easily than white persons when exposed to flash heat. The scientists conclude that this is because white skin, like white clothing, reflects heat better.

3. Women were found to burn more easily than men — presumably because their skin is thinner.

4. The tests gave these new data on actual distances from a bomb blast at which burns of varying severity could be expected.

First degree burns, similar to sunburn, are possible from as far as 13,000 feet — over two miles — from the blast on a clear day.

Weary American Marines Again Retake Outpost

By GEORGE A. McARTHUR

SEUL (AP) — Weary U.S. Marines captured Outpost Vegas again today in a bitter hour of fighting up its gentle, but deadly slopes.

Roaring Chinese from trenches, they slammed back a Red counter-attack at the crest and won back the low Western Front hill for the second time in two days.

Vegas fell Thursday night under a Red spring attack that broke Monday when 3,500 Chinese swarmed around Old Baldy, 25 miles northeast.

The Reds still hold Bakdy, now a red-dirt target for Allied artillery and bombs.

As ground fighting roared on, Communist MIG jets flew south and clashed with U.S. Sabre jets in a number of dog fights, but no destruction claims were made.

Other American warplanes swept over Vegas, sending rockets, and bombs tearing into the Chinese Marine tanks and big guns fired steadily.

It took the hard-pressed Marines a bitter hour to make the final 400 yards up the shell-torn slope blanketed by Communist mortar fire. An officer at the front said a Chinese counterattack hit the Marines immediately after they reached the top, but it was cut down.

The low outpost hill echoed from the shock of explosions from more than 36 hours of continuous fighting, as the Chinese desperately tried to hold on to the outpost they overran Thursday night.

The Reds charged fanatically through their own bursting shells.

A division staff officer said the Chinese obviously meant to keep the hills they paid so dearly for. He estimated Chinese guns hurled 35,000 rounds yesterday in a vain attempt to prevent today's assault.

Red firing slackened today.

It took five costly charges by the Marines to take Vegas. During the morning, the Reds turned back four Marine assaults. At noon the Marines began their slow advance up the last 400 yards, made the top and held on despite the Red counterattack.

The Fifth Air Force reported Allied fighter-bombers dumped 200,000 pounds of bombs in front-line strikes along the entire Western Front.

The Marines and Chinese often battled within close hand grenade range during the bloody fighting on Vegas. At one point, the Marines pulled back 700 yards to let fighter-bombers have a "clear shot" at the Chinese.

The Marines called for reinforcements at mid-morning to "make their final, and successful bid that finally routed the Reds after 10 hours of fighting."

A nervous quiet settled on Vegas in the last afternoon. Marine air spotters directed Allied planes to sensitive spots, and observers eyed the Chinese battle positions suspiciously.

Commission to Clear Highway Personnel

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — The Arkansas Highway Commission says it will handle the "housecleaning" of State Highway Department personnel it previously said would be done by the highway director.

The Commission said at its meeting here yesterday it would undertake the job because a new highway director has not been selected. It said changes would be made in personnel at state and district headquarters.

Parts of Two States Shaken

STAMFORD, Conn. (AP) — A large area of southwestern Connecticut and adjacent New York State was shaken early today.

A number of police departments — flooded with telephone calls from residents — reported they could not trace down any explosion and they conjectured it was an earth tremor.

Homes, and other buildings were shaken, and many people were awakened.

Gen. Taylor Escapes Crash

SEUL (AP) — Lt. Gen. Maxwell D. Taylor, U.S. Eighth Army commander, escaped injury today in a collision between two helicopters.

Taylor's copter was struck by another as it landed on a clearing behind the Western front. The second helicopter overturned and two officers suffered minor injuries. They were not identified.

The second helicopter following Taylor's was caught in an updraft and overturned, glancing the motor of Taylor's craft.

Junior Class of Spring Hill to Give Play April 3

The Junior Class of Spring Hill High School wishes to announce that the Junior Play "No Bride for the Groom," a three-act comedy, will be presented in the Spring Hill gym on April 3, at 7:30 p.m.

The cast includes: Gilbert Lafferty, Ophelia Collins, Travis Smith, Linda Butler, Virginia Adcock, Shirley Aaron, Mary Martin, Ruby Curtis, Bill Bachman, Jane Powell, Curtis Burns, and Pauline Martin, with Miss Gloria Glover, sponsor.

Admission will be 20 and 35 cents. The public is invited to attend.

\$100,000 Loss as Fire Guts SPG Plant

One of the main buildings of the Hope Manufacturing Company, located in the Proving Ground, caught fire and burned to the ground about 5 a.m. today and first estimate placed the loss at about \$100,000. There was only about \$30,000 insurance carried.

The building housed valuable machines and dyes, all a total loss. And the building had just been remodeled.

The fire is believed to have started in electrical wiring. It was first discovered by residents of Oakhaven who turned in the alarm. Three oxygen tanks exploded, spreading the flame throughout the building.

Benny Bender, owner and operator of the plant, said this morning he had no immediate plans.

"If I can't make some arrangement for another building, I'll just have to move the entire plant," Mr. Bender said.

Currently the company employs from 200 to 300 persons. The owner indicated he would have to lay off 75 persons immediately.

GOPs Looking for New Nat'l Chairman

By EDMUND LE PRETON

WASHINGTON (AP) — Republicans were looking for a new national chairman today after C. Wesley Roberts' abrupt resignation under criticism by Kansas legislative investigators.

But one member of the National Executive Committee, Wayne J. Hood of Wisconsin, asserted the GOP National Committee should refuse to accept the resignation.

"Earlier President Eisenhower said Roberts made a 'wise decision,'" Mr. Hood said.

Roberts resigned last night within hours after a Kansas legislative inquiry committee reported he had violated at least the spirit of the state's lobbying law. Blaming a political plot, Roberts declared "my conscience is clear," but said he felt his usefulness as national chairman was destroyed.

Involved in the Kansas investigation was Roberts' part in helping to sell the state a \$10,000 hospital building, and accepting an \$11,000 fee. He had no party or government job at the time, and said he acted only as a public relations man, not a lobbyist.

Support for Roberts built up among Wisconsin Republicans even before his resignation was announced. The Wisconsin GOP Executive Committee adopted unanimously a statement prepared by Hood, saying in part:

"We see Roberts is a good man as chairman of the Republican National Committee, and, if we are to permit the opposition to ruin the reputation of every person that we elect chairman of the Republican National Committee, no one of any consequence will be willing to serve."

Stalin Memorial Meet Is Heckled

NEW YORK (AP) — Police reported 15 would-be hecklers as 1,200 persons listened to speakers last night at a "Stalin memorial meeting" in upper Manhattan.

Possible trouble first threatened when seven pickets, carrying anti-Soviet placards, paraded in front of the meeting hall before the affair. Then the seven, joined by eight other professed anti-Communists, bought tickets and went into the building.

Meeting officials asked police to oust the 15, but were turned down. However, a 12-man police detail surrounded the 15 to insure against possible interference with the right of free speech.

The police detail was joined by a group assigned by meeting officials. Tension mounted, and the 15 were persuaded to get their money back and leave the hall.

Eulogies of Stalin were delivered by Negro singer Paul Robeson and Artist Rockwell Kent, who was program chairman.

Communists Agree to Swap Sick Prisoners

TOKYO (AP) — The Chinese Communist radio said tonight the Reds accept a United Nations Command proposal to exchange sick and wounded war prisoners and proposed immediate resumption of the armistice talks.

The official Peking radio said Kim Il Sung, North Korean Premier, and Peng Teh-huai, commander of the Chinese forces in Korea, made this offer today in a letter to Gen. Mark Clark, U. N. Far East commander.

The Red radio said the Communists are willing to "exchange sick and injured prisoners of war during the period of hostilities" — as proposed by Clark.

The Red offer was made in an English-language broadcast heard here.

Clark wrote a letter to the two Red commanders Feb. 22 saying the United Nations Command would like to exchange sick and injured prisoners of war immediately, "in implementing the humanitarian provisions of the Geneva Convention."

"The United Nations Command remains ready immediately to repatriate those seriously sick and seriously wounded captured personnel," Clark wrote.

Airport Operators Seek U. S. Help

By VERN HAUGLAND

KANSAS CITY (AP) — The nation's airport operators reaffirmed today their belief in the principal of federal aid for airport construction and improvements.

The two major organizations of airport operators did so in the face of an announcement by Robert B. Murray, Jr., undersecretary of commerce, that the federal government is suspending its airport aid program immediately pending a "re-evaluation."

The operators estimated the government's action would cancel out more than \$100,000,000 in proposed airport projects throughout the United States.

The organizations which adopted resolutions favoring federal aid, at a Congress of Civil Aviation Organizations here, were the Air Transport Builders Association (ATBA), which operates the 35 metropolitan airports, and the American Association of Airport Executives (AAAE), composed of the manager of some 300 smaller airports.

The AAAE resolution affirmed a "long standing belief in the principle of federal aid in the development of a federal airport system, economically, justly, uniformly and fairly administered."

It said existing facilities are becoming inadequate to meet civil and expanding military needs.

The AOC resolution pointed out that many municipalities have spent large sums in reliance upon federal cooperation.

The AOC also authorized its new president, G. Drennan Albright, Memphis, to arrange to present its views to the U. S. Congress.

A Million Flaming Azaleas Attract 100,000 Visitors in North Carolina Flower Festival

By HAL BOYLE

WILMINGTON, N. C. (AP) — A million flaming azaleas have drawn 100,000 visitors here for one of the Southland's greatest festivals of flowers.

Every front yard is aflame with prideful bloom in this mecca of nature lovers. The queen of the annual four day show is lovely Alexis Smith of Hollywood, pretty as an azalea with two stems.

But where there's a queen there ought to be a king. And the king of the flower festival here, pardon, is a pint sized Hopalong Cassidy called Bobby Benson.

The grownups come to admire the azaleas and the burning red, but the kids have got a bad case of hero worship for Bobby.

Bobby has achieved the dream of every American boy. He has become a famous cowboy before reaching his teens.

Young Mr. Benson at the ripe old age of 12 is radio's top cowboy. His exploits as boss of the B-Bar-B Ranch are broadcast by 550 Mutual Network stations, more than double the number that carry such other horse opera standbys as Gene Autry and Hopalong himself.

Bobby gets about 7,500 fan letters a week. He backs two plastic-handled guns. He may be no faster on the draw than Roy Rogers, but has one clear-cut edge over every other rival in the professional cowboy field. He is the only one who can sing soprano.

"But my voice is getting deeper every day," said Bobby, who has baritone yearning.

Many a child star is ruined by



ISMAI TO VISIT U. S. — England's Gen. Lord Ismay, Secretary General of NATO, will visit the U. S. and Canada for discussion of mutual defense of the three countries. Ismay is a proponent of the six-nation European Army Pact and a firm believer in mutual security.

15-25 Killed in Collision of Crack Trains

CONNEAUT, O. (AP) — Two crack New York Central trains with 400 passengers aboard roared into a derailed freight train last night, killing an estimated 15 to 25 and injuring 70 to 100.

Two dozen railroad cars, splintered by the impact and strewn over a wide area, formed a giant death trap from which rescue workers pulled and cut bodies of the dead in the early hours of the morning.

The accident — touched off by a piece of pipe that rolled off a fourth train into the path of the freight — came just across the Ohio-Pennsylvania line in Pennsylvania.

The wreckage laid in muddy, uneven country four miles or so east of Conneaut amid woods and brush. Stretcher bearers lashed a quarter of a mile through the brush to a "narrow dirt trail" on which ambulances slipped and skidded in single file.

No definite death toll could be determined immediately. But, Patrolman John Fitzpatrick of the Ohio highway patrol said he saw 15 dead on the ground and five bodies still trapped.

In New York, a railroad spokesman said his latest report showed 15 dead and possibly 10 more bodies yet to be recovered.

Tony Talarico, who ran from his nearby filling station to the wreck, said he counted 25 dead.

An Associated Press reporter said there were "14 bodies" in a row by a railroad track and three other bodies to be cut free of the wreckage. He added a patrolman told him four or five others had been removed earlier.

Patrolman Fitzpatrick said 40 injured persons were taken to Erie, Pa., hospitals, 20 to Ashtabula, O., General Hospital and 14 to Conneaut General Hospital.

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"Feed cows all of the hay and silage they will readily clean up," says Pursley.

He contends that proper feeding includes grain, pasture, hay and silage, the lower the cost of producing the milk. Grain is the most expensive source of nutrients for dairy cattle.

Pursley points out that "good hay at \$40 per ton costs approximately 4 per 100 pounds of total digestible nutrients. Grain at \$80 per ton costs about \$5.30 per 100 pounds of digestible nutrients."

SIDELIGHTS

A study made by agricultural experiment stations in nine Southern states show that dairy men are not meeting the demand for fluid milk throughout the state of Arkansas. The convention of food locker operators will be held in Little Rock, April 1.

Bobby, for all the fact that he is getting to be a financial mainstay of his Uncle Sam, does morning chores around the house to earn his Saturday afternoon movie money. He is an avid comic book reader, and his favorite subject in school is ancient history.

"I get a passing grade in it," he explained, "I'm not so good in arithmetic. I don't seem to get the hang of dividing decimals, although I can multiply them pretty good."

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Airport Delegation Has Hopes That Local Port Will Be Reactivated

Arkansas Wages UP — It Says

LITTLE ROCK, (AP) — Average weekly earnings for salaries workers in Arkansas increased \$4.07 from February 1952 to February, 1953, the Arkansas Employment Security Division said today.

Administrator Bayard Taylor said non-agricultural employment remained about the same in February with 307,000 workers as compared to 308,300 in January of this year and 308,000 in February, 1952.

State Farmers Going All Out for Cotton

By HAROLD HART

LITTLE ROCK, (AP) — Arkansas farmers are gearing themselves for all-out cotton planting this season.

That's the consensus of several cotton producers, shippers and government agricultural experts.

Secretary of Agriculture Benson has asked the nation's cotton farmers to voluntarily reduce acreage this year to avoid a crippling surplus.

The South's farmers are reported not to be going along with the government. Arkansas producers apparently are in the vanguard with their Southern neighbors.

Here's the way one Arkansas cotton shipper sees it:

"I would break the South if acreage were cut. Soybeans were not profitable last year. Cattle prices are down. That land just has to go into cotton."

"Arkansas planters will plant as much acreage as their financing dictates." It's not in defiance of the government, he explains, but just the old idea that if "you do not plant it, your neighbor will."

Arkansas planted 1,898,000 acres to cotton last year and harvested 1,885,000 acres. As of March 20, the state had gained 1343,000 bales. Arkansas was fourth behind Texas, Mississippi, and California in cotton acreage last year.

J. L. Wright, Arkansas chairman of the Production and Marketing Administration, says field reports indicate "there will be no material reduction in the 1953 cotton acreage" in the state.

"We put about 1,800 acres in cotton last year and we will plant just about the same this year," says Rufus Branch Jr., of Pecan Point, Ark., Branch operates a large plantation with his father, Rufus Sr.

"Some smaller farmers may cut some," adds Branch, "but the bigger producers will plant about the same as last year."

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Perry Water Survey Sought

WASHINGTON (AP) — A House Public Works Committee has been asked to authorize a survey of the Edwards-La Fave River in Perry County, Ark., for a possible water utilization project.

Rep. Hays (D-Ark.), who presented the request, said he has in mind a project under which water would be used to irrigate adjacent fields. The survey would be made by the U. S. Engineers.

'Night Life' Seems to Be a Top Issue; Group Has Long Talks With Key Officials

By HOWARD BUTTLE

WASHINGTON, March 28 — Should the Air Force training program include a provision for location of domestic bases in areas where "night life" is available to personnel?

This question was posed here the past week by a quartet of Hope leaders, who called upon most everybody in Washington with any say-so about possibility for

Committees Announced for Senior Play

Robert Powers, Weldon Tillery and J. B. Ellen have been named business managers of the senior class play "Mister Co-Ed," to be presented April 17, in the local high school auditorium.

Bert Chamberlain, Princess Allen Bernard Dunn, Ray Seymour, Martha Osborn, and Tommy Doyle compose the business committee.

With Clyde Arnold as stage manager, the other members of the stage committee are: Pat Mosley and Ellis Rothwell.

The other committees are: Property: Wanda Cox, Patricia Barwick, Charles Key, and Charles Clark; Advertising: Peggy Starnes, Helen Hall, Donald Lauterbach, and Howard Thornton; Make-up: Benjie Shirley, Marlene Russell, Gladys Womack, and Peggy Wilson.

Those serving as workers are: Patsy Samuels, Lynn Russell, Donna Russell, Margie Nell Wilson, Iris Roberts, Wanda Sinclair, Nora Lee Ross, Ruby McCordle, Frances Shearer, Katie Lester, Mattie Payne Petre, and Lucille Adams.

Mrs. Joe Amour and Lawrence Martin are senior class sponsors.

Bohlen Gets Approval of Senate

By JACK BEALL

WASHINGTON (AP) — The Senate opened the way for speedy departure of Charles E. Bohlen to Moscow with its routing of his vote of confidence yesterday.

President Eisenhower's choice for the career diplomat as ambassador to Russia.

Ending a month of bitter controversy, the Senate's 81-52 vote submerged critics who charged that Bohlen would carry left-over policies of the Truman regime into the new Eisenhower administration.

Revolving the news at relatives' home in Bryn Mawr, Pa., Bohlen said he was not certain when he would take up his new post. The State Department said he would probably be sworn in early next week and leave soon thereafter.

Eleven Republicans and two Democrats fought to the final roll call against approval of the 48-year-old Russian-language expert, picked personally by Eisenhower as the best qualified man for the cold war listening post at the Kremlin.

Afterward Sen. McCarthy (R-Wis.), one of the most vocal of these critics, wished Bohlen well. The Wisconsin senator maintained, however, that many who voted for the appointee did so not because they had confidence in him but only to uphold Eisenhower.

The Senate debate, centering on a dispute over clearance of the nominee after an FBI loyalty and security investigation, drew strong Republican condemnation of the 1945 agreements with Russia made at Yalta, where Bohlen served as Russian-language interpreter.

Montgomery to Be Guest of Eisenhower

WASHINGTON (AP) — Field Marshal Montgomery comes to Washington today to be the White House guest of President Eisenhower and to confer with government leaders before starting on an extended tour of U. S. military bases.

The deputy supreme commander of Allied forces in Europe arrived in New York yesterday aboard the Queen Mary. At the Washington Airport this morning he was greeted by Gen. J. Lawton Collins, Army chief of staff, and given full military honors.

Viscount Montgomery then had a White House date with the President, who was his chief in World War II, followed by engagements at the Pentagon for lunch and with Secretary of State Dulles.

The noted British soldier will use the White House as his living quarters until April 4, when he will start a tour of military bases that will take him as far south as New Orleans and westward to Kansas City.

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SOCIETY

Phone 7-2101 Between 8 A. M. and 4 P. M.

Calendar

Saturday, March 28
WCS Circle 5 of the First Methodist Church will have a rummage sale in front of the old theater building Saturday, March 28. Members please bring your discarded clothing (men, women and children) to 817 East 14th by Friday or Saturday. Anyone having rummages be picked up call 7-5841. Members please come down to help with the sale any hour you can from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.

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Priest Subdues Berserk Patient

SEATTLE (AP) — A young priest was hailed today as a hero for coolly inducing a berserk Filipino to give up the knife with which he had stabbed 12 fellow patients at a tuberculosis sanatorium.

The Rev. James K. Kneiken, who had been called yesterday forenoon to Firland Sanatorium, a county institution north of here, to administer last rites to a dying man.

Instead, he walked into a blood-spattered ward at one end of which stood Esteban Maranitan, Rucero, 37, knife in hand and surrounded by patients and sheriff's deputies.

Through the length of the ward lay Rucero's victims, stabbed alternately and methodically by the little Filipino as he slashed his way along. Some were seriously injured but doctors said today they are all in good condition.

"I'm glad you came, father," Rucero said as he spotted the priest. "Now I can die, father."

Slowly and coolly, Father Kneiken talked to Rucero. Finally Rucero said:

"I trust you, father, and agreed to go with him to jail. Then, Rucero gave up his long-bladed spring-type clasp knife and explained his action to Sheriff Harlan Callahan.

"Everybody was against me... They kept sticking needles into me..."

**Cherry Signs 19
Bills Into Law**

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — Gov. Cherry yesterday signed into law 19 bills passed by the 1953 Legislature, one of which changes the formula for allocating state money to local school districts.

He also signed a bill to increase minimum teacher retirement benefits.

The governor, working at his mansion because of a sinus condition, approved a proposed constitutional amendment which will be placed on the 1954 general election ballot.

The amendment, sponsored by Rep. Weems Trussell of Dallas county, would among other things, raise the salaries of all constitutional officers, change the inauguration date and the date the General Assembly convenes, and reduce the number of justices of the peace.

The measure changing the allocation of state funds to local school districts was authored by Rep. H. H. Auley of Mississippi county. It is designed to increase teacher salaries.

Most of the other bills approved yesterday were local or limited in their applications.

Cherry has until next Tuesday to approve or disapprove the remaining bills passed in the 50th General Assembly. Any of which he doesn't automatically will become law.

**Helena Publisher
Completes Tour**

LONDON (AP) — An Arkansas newspaper publisher has completed a tour of Europe and the Middle East and is ready to fly home.

C. M. Young, publisher of the Helena Herald, plans to board a plane for the United States tonight. He is one of 35 newspaper executives.

day, April 3. Mrs. Florence Williams Ambrose of Prescott will direct and guest vocalists will be Mrs. Tully Henry, Mrs. James McLarley, Mrs. Mrs. Harrell Hall, Mr. Paul O'Neal, all of Hope, and Mr. Conrad White and Mr. Earl Bopler of Prescott. The public is cordially invited. A silver offering will be taken.

Ladies Bridge Luncheon
Held at Country Club
The monthly Ladies Bridge Luncheon was held at the Hope Country Club Thursday, March 26, with Mrs. Royce Smith and Mrs. Basil York as hostesses.

The Easter motif was carried out in the napkins and table cloths on the smaller tables. An artistic arrangement of iris and spirea was placed in the center of the luncheon table.

There were five tables of bridge with Mrs. Emmett Thompson having high score and Mrs. Moody Willis, second. Mrs. Bob Cain also won a prize.

Clubs
Melrose
A demonstration on making and how to hang draperies was given by the clothing leader, Mrs. Otha Roberts, when the Melrose HD club met March 23 in the home of Mrs. Wes Ninemire.

The president, Mrs. H. E. Patterson, called the meeting to order. The tour to New Orleans was discussed and the 4th annual Talent Night to be held April 24. Mrs. Blackwood brought a rug made out of old felt hats and told how it was made. Mrs. Jesse McCorkle gave a report on gardening.

The surprise package was won by Mrs. Perry Henley. Mrs. Jewell Still, recreational leader, led the group in a game with Mrs. Otha Roberts winning the prize.

Mrs. Ninemire and her co-hostess, Mrs. Jesse McCorkle, served a sandwich plate and drinks to 13 members and Mrs. Blackwood. One new member, Mrs. H. H. Valentine, was added to the roll.

The next meeting will be with Mrs. Roberts. The demonstration will be on new fabrics and how to put in zippers.

DOROTHY DIX 15-Year-Old Boy's Diary

Dear Miss Dix: I'm 15 and write a diary. Dad says a boy my age shouldn't have a diary, but I'd like to record things I do each day. Do you think he is right, or do you think I should be allowed to continue writing it? R. E.

Diaries Have Value

Answer: There are many advantages to keeping a daily record of your activities, and I think you should be encouraged. For practical purposes, a diary is excellent as a reference material. It does away with date-groping, and permits comparison of activities year by year. It also serves to develop your writing ability, your powers of observation, and strengthens your memory. Does your father realize that diaries of famous people have been one of the chief sources of history?

Dear Miss Dix: I am 15 and like a boy three years older. He drives me home from dances and kisses me goodnight. He tells me he likes me, but he seems to like lots of other girls, too. I know he goes out with them, and I don't mind that, but he lies to me about it.

P. S. No matter what you advise, I will not give him up.

Answer: In the face of your desperate postscript, there is no advice I can give you. A boy who lies is certainly a poor friend, and this one is especially silly about it since you know he goes with other girls, and you have no objection. I'm afraid you're just a passing fancy and that you'll be the one to be given up.

Dear Miss Dix: I am so hungry for love. My husband is a good provider, and faithful, but he never shows that he loves me. He says I'm silly when I fuss over him. We are both getting on in years, and I think we should be more loving toward each other.

Answer: I really do think you are needlessly dissatisfied with your lot. A generous, faithful husband who is content to be at home whenever he's not working, who doesn't drink or gamble, is a matrimonial prize in young or advanced years.

Older men are apt to lose the touch for demonstrative affection, and recent being fussed over. Why not learn to be thankful for the many blessings you have; stop yearning for the unattainable; know your husband loves you, shows it in the things he does, and the care he takes of you, and the fact that he prefers his home a better place. Surely this is proof enough of his devotion. Do not nag for more!

Dear Miss Dix: I have written you before but never saw my letter in print. My mother lets me go out with boys if she knows them; but my only trouble is that she won't let me use lipstick. I have tried discussing it with her, but it doesn't work. I'm 14.

MARY T.
Answer: I'm sorry your previous letter was not published, but perhaps I dealt with a problem I had recently discussed. The lipstick question, for instance, is one that appears in so many letters I can't possibly use them all. The matter is entirely up to your mother's discretion, and until she gives the "go-ahead" signal, you must be content with unadorned lips.

There's no reason why you should feel self-conscious about them, either. Lots of other girls live under the same restriction, with no ill effects. I'm sure you imagine that you are stared at because your lips are unadorned; perhaps the staring is in admiration for your fresh, clean, teen-age glow.

Dear Miss Dix: I am very much in love with a man of 25 who is in the Marines. I am 21. I don't date anyone else, but he doesn't want to get married until he comes out of service, a year from now. I know his family, and though I see them frequently, they never say anything about their son's intentions. Am I doing wrong in waiting for him?

Answer: Since you love the young man, you wouldn't be happy dating anyone else right now, and the thing to do is wait for him. He is showing a practical, sensible nature in wanting to postpone marriage until his service is up. Your marriage will have a much sounder foundation than if you married while he's in service.

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**Weight Restriction
Placed on Bridge**

Berlin (AP) — Time caught up today with a U.S. Army-built temporary bridge over the Elbe River on the only Allied road link with Red-encircled West Berlin. Soviet zone Communist police barred trucks of over 13 tons weight from the eight-year-old, wooden span.

The ban at first caused fears that it might preclude a repetition of the 1948-49 Soviet blockade of West Berlin but later reports eased the apprehension. Allied officials said the restriction might slow down the lifeline slightly.

Days later one-fourth of the trucks feeding West Berlin are rated at 12 tons in weight or more. But many trucks have added two and sometimes three trailers. The Communist-zone police apparently were permitting these drivers to haul their trailers across one by one.

ties who made the tour. Eight of the group yesterday received visas to visit Russia.

Producer Won't Talk to Probers

LOS ANGELES (AP) — Congressmen investigating communist influence have drawn a refusal from the producer of the controversial film, "Salt of the Earth," to identify his partners.

When the grimfaced witness, Russian-born Simon Lazarus, 38, refused to say where the corporation's office is located, Rep. Don L. Jackson (R-Calif.) commented:

"Certainly that is in no way incriminating. This is an obvious misuse of the constitutional privilege."

Lazarus said he came to the United States in 1914, became a U. S. citizen in 1924, and came to California in 1925.

He testified he resigned nine days ago as president of Independent Productions Corp., which recently filmed "Salt of the Earth" at Silver City, N. M.

He denied that the Russian government or Communist party provided financial backing for the production.

He said the firm borrowed \$30,000 for the film "from people, lots of people."

He added he does not know the affiliation of the contributors—"we didn't ask them."

So far as he knew, he said, the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union — expelled from the CIO after its officers refused to swear they weren't Communists — did not put up any money for the film.

Congressman Jackson named other officers of the corporation as Herbert Ganahay, vice president; Kathleen Sims, secretary; Rose Kolker, treasurer; and Robert Gannon, director.

A photostatic copy of a \$30,000 check made out to Paul Jarico, Hollywood screen writer, and signed by Lazarus and Kathleen Sims, as secretary, was shown to Lazarus. He still declined to identify Miss Sims as secretary.

Jarico was fired last year by RKO for refusing to tell the committee whether he was a Communist.

The witness identified a photostatic copy of a \$50,000 check made out to the Mine, Mill and Smelter Workers Union and endorsed by Jarico. But he said there is no agreement to share profits with the union. He said the union handled corporation money as sponsor of the film.

**Union May Seek
Educational TV**

LITTLE ROCK (AP) — The president of the Arkansas AFL Central Trades and Labor Council said yesterday the union may apply for an educational television channel available in Little Rock.

James E. Griffin said a committee is studying the proposal and the Council will make a decision at a meeting April 1.

He said that in order for the union to get VHF Channel 2, it must submit its application before June 2 when the channel would otherwise revert to commercial use. Four other channels in Little Rock have been assigned for commercial stations.

Griffin said he believes the union would be eligible to apply for the channel for educational purposes. He said the union would use it to improve relationships between the union and the public. He added the station also would be available for certain periods to municipalities, schools and civic groups.

The station would be supported by stock sold to Arkansas AFL unions. Griffin said it would be eight to 10 months before the station could be completed, and estimated it would cost 250,000.

Airport

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rence came to Washington well-armed with information to support their contention that Hope and the Hempstead area can meet the Air Force requirements in serving a reactivated Southwest Proving Ground.

They pointed out that three concrete runways, of 5,500 feet each, could be extended to the 10,000-12,000-foot length required for landing and take-offs of jet planes. They reminded authorities that a half-million-dollar hangar is available, constructed of brick and steel and providing 10,800 square feet of floor space.

The Hope report, prepared under direction of Lawrence, further cited that city can provide immediately 160 housing units, while an additional 700 units are available for immediate occupancy in the Hempstead area. And they pledged that 500 new homes would be built in six months, financed by local capital without need for federal assistance.

The delegation cited statistics to show that Hempstead schools are not overcrowded, as in some defense areas, declaring that 2,000 to 2,300 additional students could be comfortably accommodated, including 750 in the city of Hope.

Claim Recreation Advantages
Statistics were also presented to show the asserted adequacy of medical service, churches, underground water supply, natural gas and water mains, paved highways and streets, other utilities and recreation facilities.

And as for "big time entertainment" Mayor Wilson cited that "the recreation facilities of Hope have been expanded to such an extent that we have accommodated crowds in excess of 5,000 people," in periodic occasions, when such "name" bands as Horace Heidt and Xavier Cugat have performed.

The mayor called attention to the vast recreation advantages at nearby Narrows Reservoir, the federal flood control-hydroelectric project, where "there are ample cottages, boats, picnic and dining facilities, along with the finest of fishing and other outing activities."

And as for night club entertainment, Owen cited that Texarkana "is only 30 miles away," while there are similar attractions throughout the area.

"The citizens of Hope are fully aware that morale is a major factor in our armed forces," Owen declared. "I know that our leaders would cooperate fully in the military morale program."

Douglas, Welkert Hear Case
The delegation first presented Hope's case to Undersecretary Douglas and Maj. Gen. John M. Welkert, chief of Air Defense, at the Pentagon Building, defense headquarters.

They talked on Capitol Hill with Rep. John Taber, New York, chairman of the House Appropriations Committee, who referred them to Subcommittee Chairman Davis. Then they discussed the Hope bid with Rep. Dewey Short, Missouri, chairman of the House Armed Services Committee.

On the Senate side, they presented their bid to Sen. Francis Case, South Dakota, chairman of an Armed Services Subcommittee assigned to hold hearings on the Morse Resolution, and with Sen. Homer Ferguson, Michigan, a member of the

Appropriations Committee. Texas Rep. Wright Patman, Tex. Affairs, joined Senators McClellan and Fulbright and Congressman Harris in supporting the Hope bid and in arranging conferences for the delegation.

Boyle

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"Next to riding horses the thing I like to do best is to draw horses or dogs, particularly on rainy days. I like to collect mate boxes, too. I've got about 1,000, I suppose, if I ever counted them."

The choice of a life occupation is no worry to Bobby.

"I want to stay a cowboy and have my own ranch in Florida," he said. "And ride my own range, singing baritone."

Perle Mesta to Leave Luxembourg

LUXEMBOURG (AP) — Perle Mesta, the American lady diplomat whose career hit the musical comedy stage and the movie screen, announced today she is leaving her post as minister to Luxembourg on April 13.

She was appointed by President Truman after a headline-making career as a Washington hostess and Democratic party campaign worker. She arrived here on Aug. 17, 1949.

In a prepared statement today, Mrs. Mesta said: "I am leaving April 13th, but hope to be able to return many times for unofficial visits."

Along with other Truman diplomatic appointees, she submitted her resignation before the inauguration of President Eisenhower.

There had been some speculation, however, that she might continue on in the post. Eisenhower and his wife frequently visited her here while he was NATO military commander in Europe.

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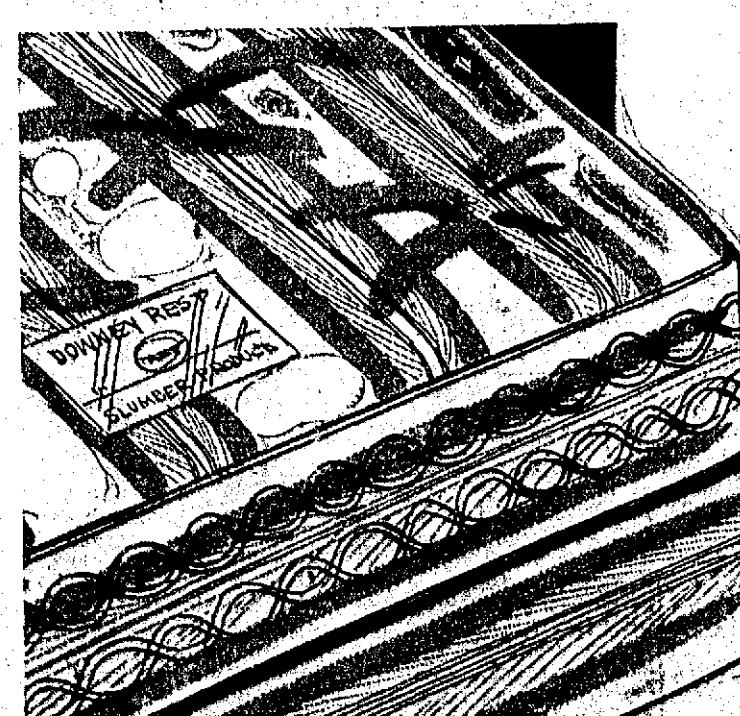
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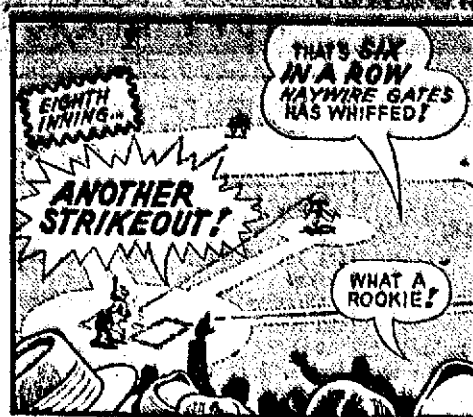
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29 Washington is (ab.) a coastal state
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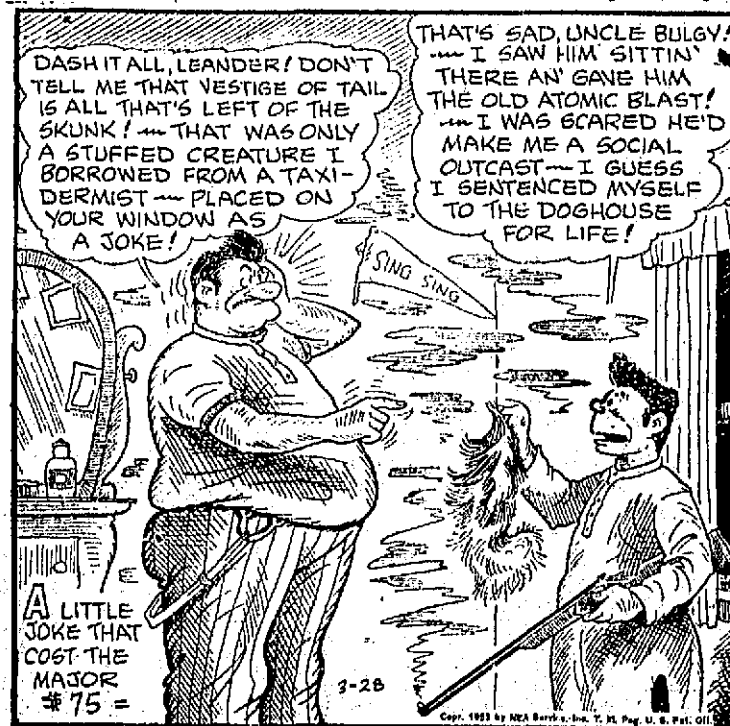
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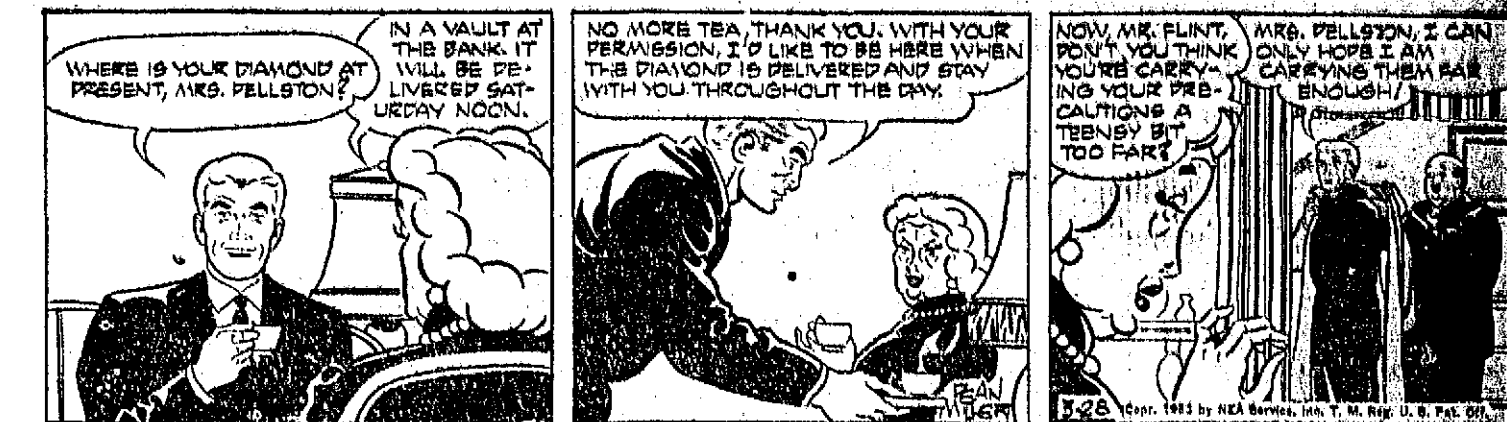
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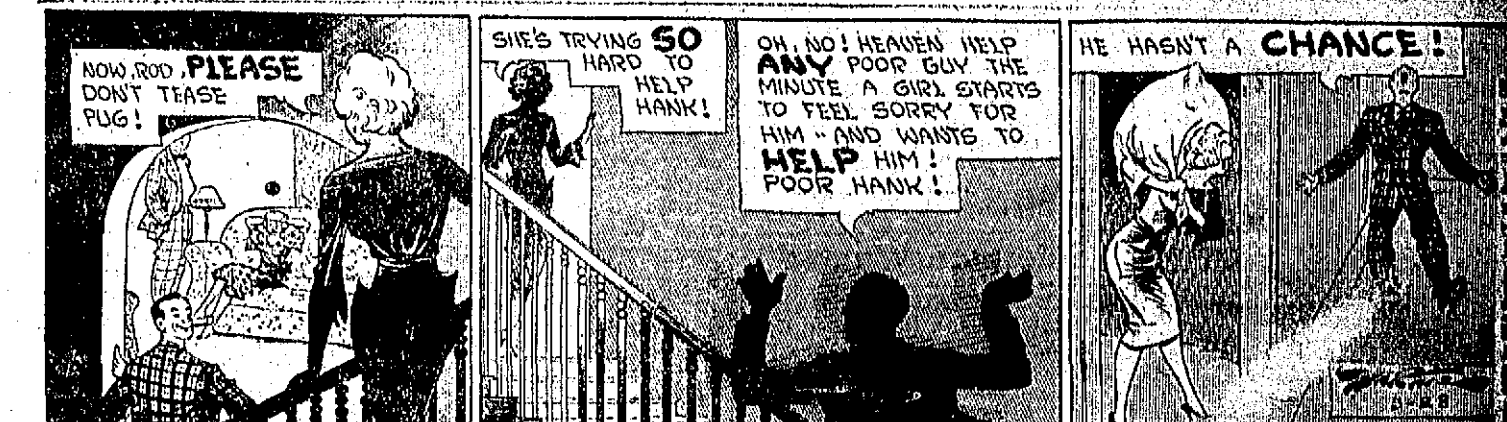
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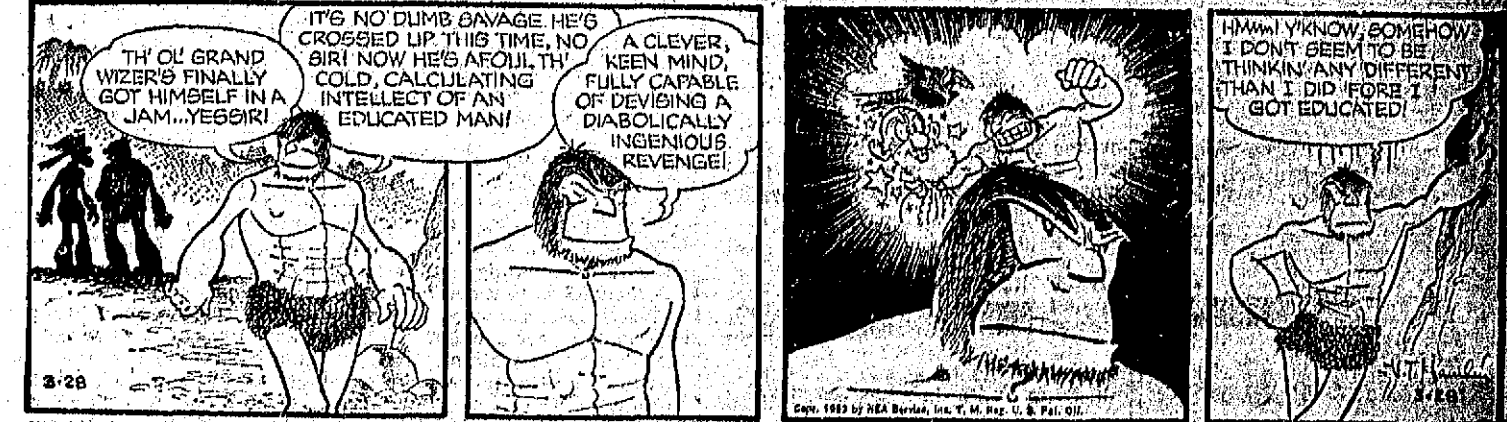


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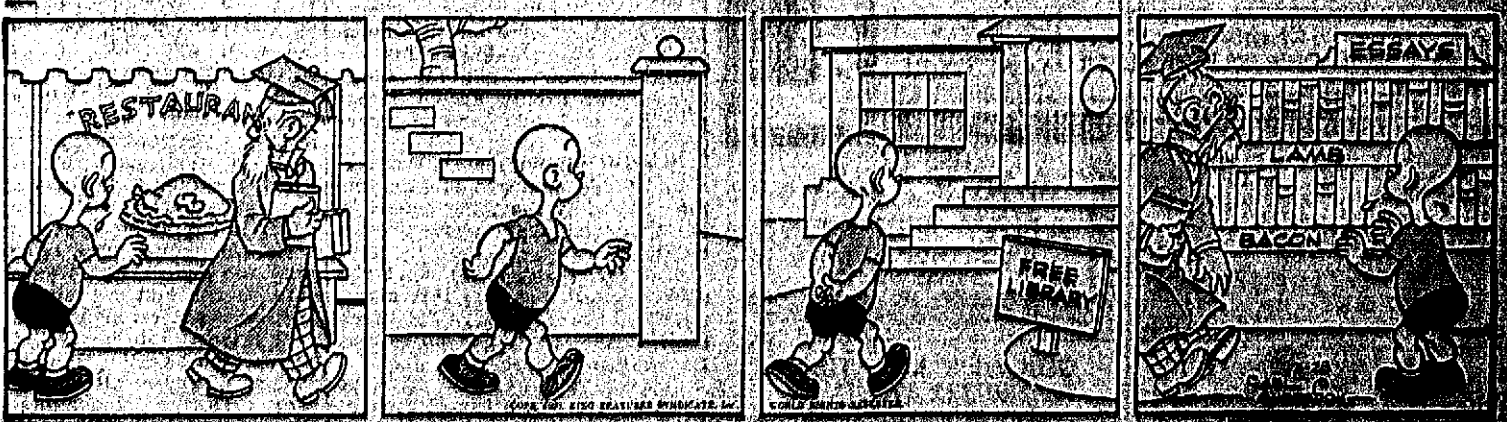
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"See here in your application you've listed ulcers! Do you have any of the other qualifications for a job in the executive field?"

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By Galbraith



"Barry says she can get you a blind date. Jim — a girl who leads the class and is captain of the debating team! Not so good, huh?"

